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Senator Lew Frederick & Representative Brad Witt:

This in regards to the CAFO Program and how important it is to us Farmers.

We started working in the 80's with Mike Ganguer on manure Management. He then went to work for NRCS and got us started with the CAFO Program when it was a Volunteer filing and we are still with the Program today.

I feel the CAFO Program is vital to the Oregon Dairy Farmers for three main reasons...

1. Inspections
2. Compliance
3. Accountability

I won't go into great detail but in a nutshell I feel we need somebody like CAFO in the Public Sector to provide my 3 main reasons.

Inspections are done annually to make sure the farm is in compliance

Compliance is helping the farmer to know we are doing things right and being in noncompliance knowing we need to improve and where.

Accountability gives us a paper trail to comply with State and Federal regulations. In today's world the general public do not understand Agriculture and what it takes to get our product out to them. Therefore because of these 3 main reasons Inspections, Compliance and Accountability we feel CAFO gives us the Support we as Farmers need.

Thank you for taking time to read this.

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